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ONLINE MANGA BESTSELLERS FOR THE WEEK ENDING 16 DECEMBER

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Sources: Amazon, B&N, Books-a-Million, Borders (beta), Buy.com, Chapters of Canada, DeepDiscount.com, Powell's Books, * Tower, and * Virgin.

Raw data for these rankings is taken from the "top 100 bestselling manga" listed at each of these 10 online booksellers. Sites were checked at least once a week and as often as every other day (for top sites Amazon and B&N) during the two week period prior to the nominal posting date. Additional info on both sources and methodology can be found in the notes following the rankings.

	Top 25 Manga Series									
Current Ranking	$\stackrel{\uparrow}{\longleftrightarrow}$	ranks gained/lost	last wks. ranking	Score	Publisher	1 st vol. released		Title	Current Ranking	
	\longleftrightarrow	0	(1)	669.3	Viz		2003		1.	
	\leftrightarrow	0	(2)	383.8	Viz		2005		2.	
	\leftrightarrow	0	(3)	285.5	Tokyopop		2004		3.	
4.		1	(5)	221.8	Viz		2004		4.	
5.		1	(4)	201.1	Viz		2007	, o	5.	
6.		4	(10)	162.6	Viz		2005		6.	
7.	•	1	(6)	156.7	HC/Tokyopop	•	2007		7.	
	. ↔	0	(8)	138.0	Vizkids		1999		8.	
9.		2	(7)	134.9	Berkley		2007	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	9.	
10.		1	(9)	127.5	Tokyopop		2005		10.	
11.		4	(15)	102.8	Viz	-	2006		11.	
12.		2	(14)	92.6	HarperCollins		2006	<u></u>	12.	
13.		2	(11)	88.6	Viz		2003		13.	
14.		4	(18)	83.6	Dark Horse		2003		14.	
15.		1	(16)	77.8 75.6	ADV Viz		2005 2005		15. 16.	
16.	_	4	(12)	75.5					16. 17.	
17. 18.		4	(13) (20)	65.7	Del Rey HC/Tokyopop		2004 2007		17. 18.	
19.		12	(31)	59.5			2007		10. 19.	
20.		2	(22)	59.3	Viz		2004		19. 20.	
21.		4	(17)	57.7	Tokyopop		2007	<u>'</u>	20. 21.	
22.		3	(25)	54.0	Japan Publ. Inc.		2003		21. 22.	
23.	•	0	(23)	53.2	Collins Design		2006	, ,	22. 23.	
			. ,	52.0	· ·			Chris Hart Art Technique Books (Manga	23. 24.	
24.		6	(30)	51.9	Watson-Guptill		2001	·	24. 25.	
25.	· ↓	6	(19)	51.9	Del Rey	Apr	2005	o Gensiliken	∠5.	

	TOP 100 MANGA VOLUMES											
Current Ranking	$\stackrel{\textstyle \uparrow}{\longleftrightarrow}$	ranks gained/lost	last wks. ranking	Score		release month	release year	volume number	Title	Current Ranking		
	. ↔	0	(1)		Viz Shonen Jump				Naruto	1.		
2.	•	10	(12)		Viz Shonen Jump				Naruto Naruto	2. 3.		
3. 4.		16 11	(19) (15)		Viz Shonen Jump Viz Shonen Jump					3. 4.		
5.		-2	(3)		Viz Shonen Jump				Naruto	5.		
6.		-2	(4)		Viz SJ Advanced		2005		Death Note	6.		
7.		-5	(2)		Viz Shonen Jump				Naruto	7.		
8.		-3	(5)	208.9	Tokyopop	Aug	2007	17	Fruits Basket	8.		
9.		-1	(8)		Viz SJ Advanced		2005		Death Note	9.		
10.	•	-3	(7)		Viz Shonen Jump				Naruto	10.		
11.		-2	(9)		Viz Shonen Jump					11.		
12.		-2	(10)		Viz Shonen Jump				Naruto Naruto	12. 13.		
13. 14.		0 -3	(13) (11)	189.1	Viz Shonen Jump Tokyopop	•			Fruits Basket	14.		
15.		2	(17)	188.0			2006		Death Note	15.		
16.		-10	(6)		Viz Shonen Jump				Naruto	16.		
17.		-3	(14)	178.8	Viz Shojo Beat		2007		Vampire Knight	17.		
18.		0	(18)		Viz Shonen Jump					18.		
19.	. ↑	2	(21)		Viz Shonen Jump	•	2003		Naruto	19.		
20.	. ↑	3	(23)	171.4	Viz SJ Advanced	Mar	2006	4	Death Note	20.		
21.		6	(27)		Viz Shonen Jump		2003		Naruto	21.		
22.	•	2	(24)		Viz SJ Advanced	•	2006		Death Note	22.		
23.	•	-7	(16)						Death Note	23.		
24.		-4	(20)		Viz Shonen Jump					24.		
25.		-3 3	(22)		Viz Shonen Jump				Naruto	25. 26.		
26. 27.	•	22	(29)	149.5 146.5	HC/Tokyopop	•	2007		Warriors Fullmetal Alchemist	26. 27.		
28.		0	(49) (28)		Viz SJ Advanced		2007		Death Note	27. 28.		
29.		3	(32)		Viz Shonen Jump		2004		Naruto	29.		
30.		0	(30)		Viz Shonen Jump	•				30.		
31.		-5	(26)		Viz SJ Advanced				Death Note	31.		
32.	· ↑	9	(41)	135.4	Viz Shonen Jump	Jul	2004	4	Naruto	32.		
33.		-2	(31)		Viz SJ Advanced				Death Note	33.		
34.		-9	(25)	134.9	Berkley		2007		Dark Hunger Feehan	34.		
35.		5	(40)		Viz Shonen Jump		2004		Bleach	35.		
35.		-2	(33)		Viz Shonen Jump		2007		The Art of Naruto: Uzumaki	35.		
37. 38.		-1 -4	(36)		Viz Shonen Jump Viz SJ Advanced		2004 2006		Naruto Death Note	37. 38.		
39.		-4 5	(34)		Viz Shonen Jump	•	2006		Naruto	39.		
40.		-5	(35)		Viz Shohen damp		2007		Death Note	40.		
41.	•	-3	(38)	118.1	Viz SJ Advanced		2006		Death Note	41.		
42.		3	(45)	114.1	Vizkids		2006		Let's Find Pokemon! Special Edition	42.		
43.	. ↔	0	(43)	113.6	Viz Shojo Beat	May	2007	2	Vampire Knight	43.		
44.		-7	(37)	109.1	Viz Shojo Beat		2007		Vampire Knight	44.		
45.	•	-6	(39)		Viz Shonen Jump	_			Bleach	45.		
46.	•	2	(48)	104.4	Tokyopop				Kingdom Hearts	46.		
47.		7	<i>(54)</i>	104.1	Tokyopop		2007		Kingdom Hearts Chain of Memories	47.		
48. 49.		-3	(57) (46)	102.3	Viz Shojo Beat Viz Shonen Jump				Tail of the Moon Naruto	48. 49.		
50.		-s -8	(42)	96.8	· ·		2006		Best of Pokemon Adventures: Red	49. 50.		
J 0.	• ↓	-0	(72)	90.0	VIZNIUS	001	2000		Destroit offention Adventures. Neu	30.		

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Current Ranking	$\stackrel{\uparrow}{\longleftrightarrow}$	anks gained/lost	last wks. ranking	Score		release month	release year	volume number	11.00	Current Ranking
51. 52.		-1	(50) (52)	96.3	Vizkids Viz Shonen Jump		2006 2004	2	Best of Pokemon Adventures: Yellow Bleach	51. 52.
52. 53.		0 12			Viz Shonen Jump		2004			52. 53.
54.		-7	٠ ,		Viz Shonen Jump					54.
55.	•	1	, ,	92.6	HarperCollins				Making Comics McCloud	55.
56.	†	7		89.8	Viz Shonen Jump	Sep	2004	3	Bleach	56.
57.		1	' '		Viz Shonen Jump		2005			57.
58.		1	(59)	87.5	Tokyopop				Fruits Basket	58.
59.		-6	' '		Viz Shonen Jump		2007		Yu-Gi-Oh! GX	59.
60.		17 -6	. ,		Viz Shonen Jump Viz Shonen Jump					60 . 61 .
61. 62.	•	-0 4	' '	81.0	Dark Horse					62.
63.		12		76.4						63.
64.		4	` ′		Viz Shonen Jump	_				64.
65.	•	-14	. ,		Viz Shonen Jump					65.
66.	\downarrow	-5	(61)	72.3	ADV	Oct	2007	5	Yotsuba&!	66.
67.	↑	3	(70)	72.2	HC/Tokyopop	Dec	2007	2	Warriors	67.
68.	\downarrow	-8		68.7	Del Rey					68.
69.		4	' '		Viz Shonen Jump					69.
70.		2	. ,	65.7	HC/Tokyopop		2007		U	70.
71.		-4	' '		Viz Shonen Jump					71.
72 .	•		(107)		Viz Shoie Boot		2005		Bleach	72.
73. 74.		3 23	' '	58.6 58.0	Viz Shojo Beat Viz Shojo Beat				Gentleman's Alliance†	73. 74.
75.		-6	. ,	56.6	Viz Shojo Beat		2007		Ouran High School Host Club	75.
76.		-14		53.5	Tokyopop		2007			76.
77.		9	(86)	52.4	Japan Publ. Inc.			•	Japanese in Mangaland	77.
78.		3		51.9	Tokyopop		2007	1	•	78.
79.		0		51.6	Collins Design		2006			79.
80.	\downarrow	-16	(64)	48.5	Del Rey	Nov	2007	9	Genshiken	80.
81.	\uparrow	3	(84)	48.3	Tokyopop	Jun	2005	9	Fruits Basket	81.
									The Anime Encyclopedia Clements,	
82.			(109)		Stone Bridge Press		2006	7		82.
83.		-12	' '		Viz Shonen Jump	_	2005			83.
84. 85.		-10 -5			Viz Shonen Jump Viz Shonen Jump					84. 85.
86.	•	-3 -8		45.0	Tokyopop					86.
87.	•	-2	· /		Viz Shonen Jump					87.
88.		-6			Viz Shonen Jump		2005			88.
89.		-1			Viz Shonen Jump	•				89.
90.	↑	23	(113)	43.6	Viz Shojo Beat		2007	6	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	90.
91.			(121)	43.4	Tokyopop		2004			91.
91.	•	2		43.4	Viz Shojo Beat		2005		•	91.
93.		36	٠ ,	42.1	Tokyopop		2007			93.
94.		-3	٠ ,	39.9	Tokyopop		2007			94.
95.	\	-6	(89)	38.7	Viz Shojo Beat	Jul	2007	2		95.
96.	↑	5	(101)	38.1	Watson-Guptill	Sen	2005		Manga Mania Chibi and Furry Characters Chris Hart	96.
97.	•	-10		37.8	DH Press	•	2003	9		97.
98.	•	33	, ,	35.5	Tokyopop		2004		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	98.
98.		-15		35.5	Vizkids		2007			98.
100.		6	(106)	35.1	Del Rey	Oct	2007	7		100.

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101.			(153)		DK Publishing	•	2007		Transformers: The Ultimate Guide	101.
102. 103.		-9	(137) (94)	34.7 34.6	Japanime Tokyopop		2005		Kanji de Manga Fruits Basket	102. 103.
103.	· ↓	-9	(34)	34.0	Токуорор	Λþi	2000	13	Draw Manga: How to Draw Manga in Your	105.
104.	· ↑	7	(111)	33.8	Collins & Brown	Jun	2005		Own Unique Style Bruce Lewis	104.
105.			(222)		Tokyopop				Fruits Basket vols 1-4	105.
106.	_		(116)		Tokyopop		2004		Fruits Basket	106.
107.			(114)		Tokyopop				Fruits Basket	107. 108.
108. 109.		-17	(118) (92)		Tokyopop Viz Shonen Jump		2005		Fruits Basket Naruto: Ninja Clash in the Land of Snow	100.
110.			(123)	29.7	Tokyopop		2004		Fruits Basket	110.
111.			(102)	29.2	Viz Shojo Beat		2006		Ouran High School Host Club	111.
112.	· ↓	-12	(100)	28.5	Viz Shojo Beat	Sep	2005	2	Ouran High School Host Club	112.
113.		-15	' '	26.8	Viz Shojo Beat	_			Absolute Boyfriend	113.
113.	•		(126)	27.1	Viz Shojo Beat		2006		Ouran High School Host Club	113.
115. 116.			(166) (140)		Viz Shojo Beat Del Rey		2007 2008		Wild Ones Wallflower	115. 116.
117.		-22	, ,		Tokyopop		2007		Chibi Vampire	117.
118.			(188)	25.3	Tokyopop		2005		Warcraft	118.
119.	_		(108)		Tokyopop		2005		Fruits Basket	119.
119.	· ↓	-4	(115)	24.1	Tokyopop	Oct	2007	2	Return to Labyrinth	119.
119.		81	(200)		Tokyopop		2007		Warcraft Sunwell Trilogy, Ultimate Edition	119.
122.		-26	, ,		Viz Shonen Jump	•	2007		Naruto Anime Profiles	122.
123.	•		(122)		Viz SJ Advanced		2007		D. Gray-Man Yotsuba&!	123. 124.
124. 125.			(188) (133)		ADV Viz Shojo Beat		2005 2008		Absolute Boyfriend	124. 125.
126.			(102)		z/Andrews McMeel				Naruto 2008 Wall Calendar	126.
127.		-37							Vampire Kisses	127.
128.	•		(364)		Tokyopop	-			Welcome to the NHK	128.
129.			(127)		•		2005		Kingdom Hearts	129.
130.	•		(176)		Tokyopop		2007		Warcraft	130.
131.			(202)		Viz Shonen Jump				_	131.
132. 132.			(128) (172)		Viz Viz Shonen Jump		2003		Battle Royale (novel) Bleach	132. 132.
134.			(641)		· ·				Avatar Cine-Manga vols 1-3	134.
134.	•		(175)						Fruits Basket	134.
136.			(222)		Del Rey	Dec	2007	16	Negima!	136.
137.			(247)				2007		After I Win	137.
137.			(154)						Eyeshield 21	137.
139. 139.			(184)		DMP DMP		2007 2007		Ai no Kusabi Passion	139. 139.
141.	•		(135) (191)		CMX				From Eroica with Love	141.
141.			(183)						Yurara	141.
143.	•		(397)		Yen Press				Alice on Deadlines	143.
144.			(209)		Viz Shojo Beat				Ouran High School Host Club	144.
145.			(111)		Graphic Sha				More How to Draw Manga	145.
146.	•		(203)		Go! Comi				King of the Lamp	146.
147. 148.			(154) (235)		Viz Shonen Jump Tokyopop				Shaman King Fruits Basket Fan Book	147. 148.
			(242)						Andromeda Stories	140.
149.	. ↑	9.3	(472)	10.7	VEHILA	OCU	2007		Allululleda Stolles	145.

Notes:

The rankings are determined using 15 different "top 100 bestselling manga" lists drawn from eight sites, and two "top 50 bestselling manga lists" drawn from Tower.com and Virginmega.com, just because I don't like them quite so much. That, and in Tower's case I can't find more than a top 60 anyway.

- Amazon and B&N are checked four times weekly (Mon-Wed-Fri-Sun) for the two weeks prior to the nominal posting date.
- Chapters.indigo.ca is checked twice weekly, on Wednesdays and Sundays.
- BAMM, Borders, Buy.com, DeepDiscount.com, and Powell's are checked twice overall, on consecutive Saturday nights
- Tower and Virgin are also checked twice, but as noted with only a Top 50 considered (so the results from these two sites only count half as much).
- a breakdown by percentage of the contribution from each site looks like this: 25% Amazon, 25% B&N, 12.5% Chapters, 6.25% each from BAMM, Borders, Buy.com, DeepDiscount.com, and Powells, with Towers and Virgin (potentially with the all-important tie-breaking vote between Naruto 26 and 27) at 3.125% each.
- for the "top 100" list found each time a site is checked, the title placing at #100 scores 1 point, with an additional point added for each rank above 100; the number one title scores 100 points. Scoring is repeated for each list pulled from each site during the audited period; for example, If a title were to hold the #1 rank at Amazon for a full two weeks, it would score a total of 800 points.
- for the two "top 50" lists (Towers and Virgin) a title scores 1 point for #50, and an additional point for each rank above 50. (max: 50 points for #1)
- And then we divide all the scores by 10. This doesn't change any math or title-to-title comparisons, but the introduction of that small-but-all-important decimal point should serve as a reminder that my 'scores' are derived from relative rankings and do not correspond to unit or dollar sales.
- the Top 25 Series are calculated by taking the score of the top volume as a base and adding one tenth of the scores of all remaining iterations of the property. Art books, novels, sequels, prequels, and of course all ranking manga volumes of a title count toward this total
- These are the books that come up from manga keyword searches and the manga categories of the source sites. Every now and then, we have things which aren't "manga", but I'm already considering 3200 individual listings which after the first pass through the grinder resolves into roughly 700 titles with at least 6 attributes apiece (current score, last week's rank, volume# & series affiliation, publisher, and date of release) that are of note for the rankings (both series and individual) and you know, I'm not getting paid for this so while I reserve the right to make an occasional value judgment (Dear Disney, I don't care how much you're paying Tokyopop, Hannah Montana *isn't* manga) I can't be bothered to filter everything. If it's manga-ish, hell that's good enough, I'm leaving it.
- When the Borders site emerges from beta testing, I will double-count their results similarly to Chapters (but that's not happening yet.)
- I'm still looking for more input: if you've found a site that has "manga" as a category, and also listings to be sorted in "bestselling" order, please drop a link in the comments. This means you, Fye.com: When you get you website in order, you're going in the mix.

Thank you for reading the whole document. You get +1 manga karma